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**Matthew 3:13-17**

1. Baptism demonstrates that I  
**follow** Jesus.

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Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to be **baptized** by John.

# John 10:27

My sheep **listen** to my **voice**;  
I know them, and they **follow me**.

2. Baptism demonstrates my  
**need** for Jesus.

**Matthew 3:14-15**



# Matthew 3:14

But John tried to deter him, saying,  
“I need to be **baptized** by you,  
and do you come to me?”

## Matthew 3:15

Jesus replied, “Let it be so now; it is **proper** for us to do **this** to **fulfill all righteousness.**” Then John consented.

3. Baptism demonstrates my **belief** that the Holy Spirit lives in me.

**Matthew 3:16**

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As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.

# John 1:32

Then John gave this **testimony**: “I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and **remain** on him.

## John 1:33a

And I myself did not know him, but the  
one who sent me to baptize with water  
told me,

## John 1:33b

‘The man on whom you see the Spirit  
come down and **remain** is the one who  
will baptize with the Holy Spirit.’

# John 1:34

I have seen and I testify  
that this is **God's Chosen One.**"



## John 14:26

But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit,  
whom the Father will send in my name,  
will **teach** you all things and will **remind**  
you of everything I have said to you.

4. Baptism demonstrates my  
**love** for Jesus.

**Matthew 3:17**

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And a **voice** from heaven said,  
“This is **my Son**, whom I **love**;  
with him I am well **pleased**.”

## John 14:23

Jesus replied, “Anyone who **loves me will obey my teaching**. My Father will **love** them, and **we** will come to them and make **our home** with them.

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## Demonstrates

1. I **Follow** Jesus
2. I **Need** Jesus
3. I believe the **Holy Spirit**  
**Lives in Me**
4. I **Love** Jesus

# The Importance of **Baptism**

The Pool Is Still Ready

**R-U Ready?**